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SUBJ: CIVAIR: EASTERN'S SERVICE BETWEEN BRIDGETOWN
AND TRINIDAD

REF: STATE 162767

1. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY'S NOTE NO. 84 OF AUGUST 17
REQUESTING PROVISIONAL LICENSE FOR EASTERN AIRLINES TO
OPERATE SERVICES BETWEEN BARBADOS AND TRINIDAD (REFTEL),
MINEXTAFF HAS REPLIED BY NOTE NO. 3032/12/53 OF
AUGUST 30, WHICH STATES THAT USG INSTEAD SHOULD REQUEST
AMENDMENT TO PARAGRAPH 6 (C) OF APRIL 1972 UNDERSTANDING
TO PROVIDE FOR INCLUSION OF TRINIDAD AS POINT BEYOND.

2. TEXT OF SUBSTANTIVE PART OF MINEXTAFF NOTE FOLLOWS:

"THE EMBASSY'S NOTE OF 17 AUGUST, 1973, HAS REQUESTED
THE ISSUE OF A PROVISIONAL LICENCE TO EASTERN AIRLINES
BY THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES TO ALLOW FOR THE OPERATION
OF SERVICES BETWEEN BARBADOS AND TRINIDAD. THE OPERATION
OF SERVICES BY EASTERN AIRLINES BETWEEN BARBADOS AND
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TRINIDAD WILL OBVIOUSLY ALTER THE NATURE OF THE ROUTE

RIGHT GRANTED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AT PARAGRAPH 6 (C) OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IN WHICH NO PROVISION WAS MADE FOR SERVICES BETWEEN BARBADOS AND TRINIDAD.

"IT IS NOTED THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS NOT REQUESTED AN AMENDMENT OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING OF 27TH APRIL IN ORDER TO HAVE THE ROUTE ABOVE-MENTIONED EXTENDED TO INCLUDE TRINIDAD AS A POINT BEYOND.

"THE GOVERNMENT OF BARBADOS CONSIDERS THAT, BEFORE THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUING OF A PROVISIONAL LICENSE TO EASTERN AIRLINES TO ENABLE IT TO OPERATE SERVICES BETWEEN BARBADOS AND TRINIDAD CAN BE CONSIDERED, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA SHOULD FIRST, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL PRACTICE AND IN THE LIGHT OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BARBADOS GOVERNMENT AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SEEK THE VIEWS OF THE BARBADOS GOVERNMENT ON WHETHER IT IS WILLING TO CONCUR IN THE AMENDMENT OF THE ROUTE GRANT AT PARAGRAPH 6 (C) OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCLUSION OF TRINIDAD AS A POINT BEYOND. THIS WOULD SET THE MATTER ON A PROPER PROCEDURAL BASIS."

3. FOLLOWING LORD-COBB TELECON AUGUST 30 EMBASSY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PENULTIMATE SENTENCE QUOTED ABOVE, CALLED PERMANENT SECRETARY A.N. FORDE (IN ABSENCE OF ARCHER, WHO IS ATTENDING ICAO ASSEMBLY IN ROME) TO "SEEK VIEWS OF GOB ON WHETHER IT IS WILLING TO CONCUR IN AMENDMENT OF ROUTE GRANT AT PARAGRAPH 6 (C) OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING." FORDE WAS UNWILLING SAY WHETHER GOB WOULD CONCUR IN AMENDMENT IF REQUESTED. ON BASIS LORD-COBB TELECON AND EASTERN REP'S ASSERTION HE HAD BEEN ASSURED BY HEAD OF ATLA THAT GOB APPROVAL WOULD BE GRANTED ONCE USG REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT RECEIVED, EMBASSY DELIVERED DIPLOMATIC NOTE NO. 91 OF AUGUST 31 TO MINEXTAFF (COPY DIRECTLY TO FORDE) FIRST THING THIS MORNING, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REFERRING TO PARAGRAPH 6 (C) OF APRIL 1972 UNDERSTANDING AND REQUESTING "THAT THE ROUTE DESCRIBED THEREIN BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE PORT OF SPAIN AS DESTINATION ON THE ROUND-TRIP BEYOND BRIDGETOWN." THIS LANGUAGE IS IDENTICAL TO THAT USED IN EMBASSY'S NOTE NO. 115 OF SEPTEMBER 25, 1972 REQUESTING AMENDMENT TO PARAGRAPH 6 (A) OF UNDERSTANDING IN ORDER TO PERMIT PAN AM TO OPERATE SERVICES BETWEEN PORT OF SPAIN AND GEORGETOWN (STATE 170091 AND 174516).

4. FORDE ALSO SAID YESTERDAY THAT ONCE USG REQUEST TO AMEND EASTERN'S ROUTE WAS RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON BY GOB, EASTERN WOULD STILL BE REQUIRED TO FILE FOR EMENDED LICENSE TO OPERATE THESE SERVICES AND THAT IT SEEMED "UNLIKELY" ALL THESE PROCEDURAL STEPS COULD BE COMPLETED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 4, WHEN EASTERN WANTS TO BEGIN SERVICE TO PORT OF SPAIN. HOWEVER, EASTERN IS OPTIMISTIC THAT ONCE FORDE'S OFFICE ACTS, REMAINING STEPS CAN BE COMPLETED QUICKLY SINCE EASTERN BELIEVES APPROVAL TO ITS SERVICE HAS ALREADY BEEN GIVEN IN PRINCIPLE.
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